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## BANKS.

### HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND, 1,800,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.  
Chairman—W. H. FORBES, Esq.  
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MANAGER.  
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LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

### HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.  
ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—  
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "  
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.  
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.  
Offices of the Corporation,  
No. 1, Queen's Road East.  
Hongkong, February 15, 1879.

### ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON FIXED DEPOSITS.  
At 3 months' notice 3 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 4 " " "  
" 12 " 5 " " "

On Current Accounts at Rates which can be ascertained at their Office.  
D. A. J. CROMBIE, Acting Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation,  
Hongkong, November 23, 1878.

### CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, 2,800,000. RESERVE FUND, 1,150,000.

BANKERS.  
THE BANK OF ENGLAND,  
THE CITY BANK,  
THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in Hongkong grants Drafts on London and the chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

On Current Accounts, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits.  
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "  
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

## For Sale.

### RECENTLY ARRIVED, FOR SALE.

#### RODGERS'S CELEBRATED CUTLERY.

WATERBURY'S and DE LA RUE'S STATIONERY.  
DESSERT and DINNER SERVICES.  
TABLE GLASSWARE.  
GENTS' TOILET CHESTS.  
CABIN SUSPENSION and BULK-HEAD SWINGING LAMPS for OIL.  
CABIN SWINGING CANDLE-STICKS.  
SIGNAL and MASTHEAD LAMPS, (Latest Admiralty Regulation).  
TUBE EXPANDERS, Assorted Sizes.  
ENGINEER'S HAMMERS.  
MATHEMATICAL INSTRUMENTS.  
COPPER WIRE GAUGE.  
SPIRIT LEVELS.  
INDIA RUBBER SHEETS, Assorted Sizes.  
INSERTION RUBBER, Assorted Sizes.  
INDIA RUBBER DOOR MATS.  
INDIA RUBBER SUCTION and DELIVERY HOSE.  
CANVAS DELIVERY HOSE.  
LEATHER BELTING.

A Large and Choice Assortment of American and English ELECTRO-PLATED WARE.  
NEW and POPULAR BOOKS, INSTRUCTIVE and AMUSING. EDUCATIONAL WORKS.  
WORKS OF REFERENCE.  
PRESENTATION BOOKS.  
NOVELS, &c.  
MUSIC & SONGS, by First-class Composers.  
OPERAS, MUSICAL INSTRUCTION BOOKS, &c.

A Fine Selection of SHERRIES.  
Very Fine "O. K."  
BOURBON WHISKY.  
CHATEAU DE FRANDS.  
(A fine full flavoured Breakfast CLARET.)  
BRANDIES. GIN.  
LIQUEURS.  
ALEX.  
&c.

LAMBERT, ATKINSON & CO.  
Hongkong, February 21, 1879.

## FOR SALE.

### EUGENE RIMMEL'S TROPICAL FLOWER WATER.

Superior to All Similar Preparations.

VOGEL & Co., Sole Agents for China.

Hongkong, February 19, 1879. my10

## Intimations.

### HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

#### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CONTRIBUTING Shareholders are requested to send in an ACCOUNT of BUSINESS CONTRIBUTED during the half year ended 31st December 1878, on or before March 31st, on which date the Accounts will be closed.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
D. GILLIES, Secretary.

Hongkong, February 25, 1879. ap1

### THE CHINESE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

#### NOTICE.

MR. J. BRADLEE SMITH has this Day been appointed SECRETARY to the above Company.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
WM. REINERS, Chairman.

Hongkong, March 24, 1879. ap7

### HONGKONG WHARF & GODOWNS STORAGE.

GOODS RECEIVED on STORAGE at Moderate Rates, in FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS, under European supervision; and VESSELS Discharged alongside the WHARF, on favorable Terms, with quick despatch.

MEYER & Co., Proprietors.

Hongkong, November 29, 1878. my20

#### DENTAL NOTICE.

D. R. ROGERS will visit SHANGHAI during the Summer Months, leaving Hongkong on the 1st of April next.

Hongkong, February 10, 1879.

## NOTICE.

FROM the 1st of OCTOBER, DR. EASTLAKE will receive his Patients at his new DENTAL ROOMS, No. 29, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, over the Medical Hall.

Hongkong, September 25, 1878.

## Intimations.

### LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

ARE AGENTS FOR

CURCIER and ADETS' CLARETS. COURTVOISIER'S BRANDY. CHUBBS' SAFES. WHITBREAD'S STOUT. VAN HOBOKEN'S GIN. FOSTER'S BOTTLED ALE and STOUT. SILVER LIGHT LAMPS. FRENCH JAMS, Confiture de St. James. STARKER'S GOLD LACE and OFFICERS' DECORATIONS. BAXTER'S CANVAS. KORNSTAMM'S CHAMPAGNE. W. T. ALLEN & Co.'s ORNAMENTAL IRON WORK. GIBBEY & SONS' WINES. BASS'S DRAUGHT ALE. LETTIS'S DIARIES. ISIGNY BUTTER. TEACHER'S WHISKY. CONSTABULARY REVOLVERS. THE NEW LIFE JACKET. LONDON & CHINA EXPRESS, OVERLAND MAIL, and THE HOME NEWS.

### LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Begin to call Special Attention to the following Departments:—

COAST ORDER DEPARTMENT.  
ORDERS from the COAST or OUT-PORTS are Promptly and Carefully Executed. Goods not in Stock will be procured, if possible, in the Colony.

SPECIAL ORDER DEPARTMENT.  
BOOKS, SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS, ORNAMENTAL HOUSE or GARDEN FITTINGS, FURNITURE, PIANOS, MEDICINES, BILLIARD TABLES, ARMS, &c., &c., ordered from ENGLAND, at a Commission (all trade discounts being allowed) on the laid down cost, of 5 per cent. on amounts over, and 10 per cent. on amounts under \$100.

FORWARDING AGENCY.  
PACKAGES of CURIOS, TEA, PRESERVES, &c., &c., forwarded to any Address in the UNITED KINGDOM by each P. & O. Mail, Charges in full collected either here or from the Consignees as desired. Particulars required with each Package are, Contents for declaration at Customs and value for insurance.

Hongkong, February 27, 1879.

## EIGHT PER CENT. SILVER LOAN

### THE CHINESE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT,

Authorized by Imperial Decree dated the 14th Day of the Ninth Moon of the Fourth Year of Kwong-Su (9th October, 1878)

Haiquan Taels 1,750,000—Shanghai Taels 1,949,500 Stock.

In Bonds of Shanghai Taels 500 each, bearing Interest from 11th April, 1879.

The First Instalment of Interest being payable on 5th October, 1879, in HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI.

The Bonds are redeemable at PAR WITHIN SIX YEARS (1884) by HALF-YEARLY (ACCORDING TO THE CHINESE CALENDAR) DRAWINGS.

PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYABLE IN HONGKONG.

## PRICE OF ISSUE—PAR.

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION hereby invites SUBSCRIPTIONS for SHANGHAI TAELS 1,787,000 of 8 PER CENT. Bonds at the issue PRICE OF PAR, payable as follows:—

SHANGHAI TAELS 10 per cent. on application.

90 " 15 days after allotment.

100

The Bonds will bear interest at the rate of Shanghai Taels eight per cent. per annum, payable half-yearly according to the Chinese Calendar, as per annexed Schedule, at the Offices of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, in Hongkong (at current rate of Exchange for Demand Bills on Shanghai) and Shanghai.

The first payment of interest on the full amount of each Bond will be payable on 5th October, 1879, at the above-mentioned places.

The Bonds will be redeemed at par within six years (1884) by 11 half-yearly Drawings, commencing 5th October, 1879, of Shanghai Taels 162,500 each, the balance of the Loan, Shanghai Taels 162,000, being paid off on 8th August, 1884.

The Drawings will take place in Hongkong in February and August in each year, and the Bonds so drawn will be paid off at par on the respective dates specified in annexed Schedule at the Offices of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, in Hongkong (at current rate of Exchange for Demand Bills on Shanghai) and Shanghai, after which dates interest on the Bonds so drawn will cease.

The Loan has been authorized by an Imperial Decree, dated 9th of October, 1878.

The Loan, principal and interest, is specially secured by the hypothecation of the Imperial Maritime Customs' Revenue of the ports of Shanghai, Foochow, Canton, Ningpo and Hankow—the five Ports which have the largest Customs' Revenue of the Empire—to the extent necessary for the due payment of interest and repayment of principal of the said Loan.

The special hypothecation of Customs' Revenue to meet the charge of the present Loan is constituted by the deposit with the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation of Customs' Bonds, signed by the Viceroy and Governors of the respective Provinces in which the Ports referred to are situated, which Bonds will be held by the Bank in trust for the holders of this Loan. These Customs' Bonds will be received, in case of need, in payment of Customs' Duties.

Certified Translations of the Official Documents authorizing the Loan, may be inspected at the Office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Hongkong and Shanghai.

Default in payment of any instalment at the due date will render all previous payments liable to forfeiture.

If no allotment is made, the deposit will be returned in full; and if only a portion of the amount applied for is allotted, the balance of the deposit will be applied towards the payment of the final instalment.

Bonds to Bearer will be issued against Allotment Letters and Bankers' Receipts.

Principal. Interest. Total.

1st Instalment due 5th October, 1879.....162,500.00...69,825.81...232,325.81

2nd " 8th March, 1880.....162,500.00...69,825.81...232,325.81

3rd " 23rd September, 1880.....162,500.00...69,825.81...232,325.81

4th " 19th March, 1881.....162,500.00...69,825.81...232,325.81

5th " 12th September, 1881.....162,500.00...69,825.81...232,325.81

6th " 8th March, 1882.....162,500.00...69,825.81...232,325.81

7th " 1st September, 1882.....162,500.00...69,825.81...232,325.81

8th " 25th February, 1883.....162,500.00...69,825.81...232,325.81

9th " 21st August, 1883.....162,500.00...69,825.81...232,325.81

10th " 18th February, 1884.....162,500.00...69,825.81...232,325.81

11th " 9th August, 1884.....162,500.00...69,825.81...232,325.81

Shanghai Taels.....1,787,000.00 415,657.88 2,202,657.88

Applications (Forms of which can be obtained at the offices of the Bank) accompanied by a deposit of Shanghai Taels Ten per cent., will be received by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation until the Eleventh day of April, 1879, on which date the allotment will be made.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, Agents

ISSUING THE LOAN,

(Signed) T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 5th March, 1879.

## Intimations.

### WANTED.

A RESPECTABLE FEMALE—To TAKE CHARGE OF TWO LITTLE BOYS on the Passage from Hongkong to London, in a Blue-funnel Steamer leaving early in April.

For Particulars of Terms, apply to Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong, March 22, 1879.

### NOTICE.

Estate of JAMES GYE, Medical Assistant at the Chinese Government Coal Mine, near Kelung, Deceased.

CLAIMS against the above Estate should be lodged with the Undersigned not later than the 15th day of April, 1879.

A. FRATER, H. B. M.'s Consul.

H. B. M.'s Consulate, Tamsui, 12th March, 1879. ap11

## Auctions.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

SUBSTANTIAL ENGLISH AND CANTON-MADE

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, MANTEL-PIECE MIRRORS, ENGRAVINGS, CROCKERY-WARE, GLASS-WARE, PLATE-WARE, &c., &c., &c.

LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

## ON THURSDAY,

3rd April, 1879, at 2 p.m., at the Residence of C. VOGEL, Esq., No. 2, Queen's Road.

The whole of his SUBSTANTIAL HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., comprising:—

Brown Rep-covered Mahogany Drawing-room Suite, Marble-top Blackwood Round Table and Tea Poy, Sets of Canton Tea Poy, Flower Stands, Canton Vase, Mantel-piece Mirrors, Engravings and Chromo Lithographs, Fender and Irons, Lace Curtains and Cornices, Drawing-room Billiard Table with Marking Board, Cues, &c., &c., Teakwood Dining Table and Whatnots, Sideboard, Arm Chairs, Green and Gold Dinner Set, Hand Painted Dessert Set, Glassware, Platedware, Cutlery, Ice Chest, Meat Safe, American Bed with Spring and Hair Mattresses, Couch, Chairs, Cheval Glass, Lady's Writing Desk, American-made Bureau, Wardrobe, Marble Top Toilet Table and Mirror, Marble Top Washstand and Services, Chest of Drawers, Clothes Horse, Bath Tubs, Commodore.

Also, A COTTAGE PIANO, by DOERFEL STEINFELSER & Co.

Catalogues will be issued, and the whole will be on view the day before the Sale.

TERMS.—Cash before delivery in Bank Notes.

Hongkong, March 19, 1879. ap3

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, shortly, on a day to be hereafter named, unless previously disposed of by private contract.

## THE HONGKONG DISTILLERY.

Situate at East Point, Hongkong, now in Complete Working Order, and capable of Distilling upwards of 2,000 Gallons daily. The Property is of a most valuable nature, comprising THREE PIECES OF GROUND close to the water, viz.:—Inland Lots Nos. 749, 781 and 782, with the Substantially Built DWELLING HOUSE and BUSINESS PREMISES, erected specially for the purpose only a few years since, together with the MACHINERY, ENGINES, SHILLS, VATS, STOCK, and TRADE FURNITURE and FITTINGS.

For further Particulars, apply to Messrs SHARP, TOLLER, and JOHNSON, Solicitors, Supreme Court House, Hongkong.

Hongkong, March 5, 1879.

## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr F. GROBIEN in our Firm CEASES to-day.

SANDER & Co. Hongkong, March 1, 1879. ap1

## NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr WALTER SCOTT FLIZ, in our Firm in Hongkong and China, CEASES on the 31st December last.

Mr CHARLES V. NOENT SMITH is admitted a Partner from this Date.

RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, January 1, 1879. p1

## Shipping.

### Steamers.

FOR HOIHOW AND HAIPHONG. The departure of the German Steamship

"ATLANTA" for the above Ports, has been POSTPONED until WEDNESDAY, the 26th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to MEYER & Co. Hongkong, March 24, 1879. mr26

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW. The Steamship

"DOUGLAS," Capt. Young, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 27th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPAIRE & Co. Hongkong, March 24, 1879. mr27

## Sailing Vessels.

FOR PORTLAND (OREGON). The American Barque

"STONEWALL JACKSON," Captain BARTLETT, will load here for the above Port, and will leave this on WEDNESDAY, the 26th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to HOP KEE. Hongkong, March 22, 1879. mr26

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Bark

"T. A. GODDARD," Captain SMITH, will load here for the above Port, and have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, March 12, 1879. ap12

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A 1 American Ship

"CHAMBER," Captain LUGAS, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, March 7, 1879.

FOR HAMBURG. The A 1 German Schooner

"FORMOSA," BURWARDT, Master. For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co. Hongkong, March 17, 1879.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Ship

"GOLDEN RULE," LEWIS, Master. For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co. Hongkong, February 26, 1879.

FOR PORTLAND. The A 1 American Bark

"STILLMAN B. ALLEN," TAYLOR, Master. For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co. Hongkong, February 26, 1879.

FOR LONDON. The A 1 British Bark

"STRAOATHRO," MILLAR, Master. For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co. Hongkong, February 18, 1879.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A 1 American Ship

"BLACK HAWK," HOWLAND, Master. For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co. Hongkong, January 30, 1879.

FOR LONDON. The 3/3 L.L.L. Norwegian Ship

"SUMARLIDE," TORJENSEN, Master. For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co. Hongkong, January 30, 1879.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 British Bark

"HAZELHURST," GOUDEY, Master. For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co. Hongkong, January 30, 1879.

WASHINGTON BOOKS, (In English and Chinese.)

WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now ready at this Office.—Price, \$1 each.

CHINA MAIL Office.



## Intimations.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.  
No. 98.

## CHINA SEA.

SHANGHAI DISTRICT.—WOOSUNG  
RIVER.

## WOOSUNG INNER BAR SIGNALS.

NOTICE is hereby given that on and after the 31st March, 1879, Geometrical Signals will be substituted for the flags now in use at the Woosung Inner Bar Station, showing the depth of water on the bar during the day.

An explanatory diagram, showing the signals which indicate the depth of water from 10 feet to 24 feet and which will show the same in approaching the signal station both from Shanghai and from seaward, is added herewith.

To indicate a rising tide a ball will be hoisted at the mast head.

In case of there being greater or less depths of water than here given, the number of feet will be signalled by the "Universal Code of Signals" at the mast-head, and the half feet by a red and white flag at the yard-arm.

By order of the Inspector-General of Customs.

GERALD E. WELLESLEY,  
Acting Engineer-in-Chief.

Imperial Maritime Customs,  
Engineer's Office,  
Shanghai, 31st Jan., 1879. ap1

Depth of water in feet on Bar.	South Yard-arm.	North Yard-arm.	Depth of water in feet on Bar.	South Yard-arm.	North Yard-arm.
10.....	▲	◆	17½.....	●	●
10½.....	▲	◆	18.....	●	●
11.....	▲	◆	18½.....	●	●
11½.....	▲	◆	19.....	●	●
12.....	▲	◆	19½.....	●	●
12½.....	▲	◆	20.....	●	●
13.....	▲	◆	20½.....	●	●
13½.....	▲	◆	21.....	●	●
14.....	▲	◆	21½.....	●	●
14½.....	▲	◆	22.....	●	●
15.....	▲	◆	22½.....	●	●
15½.....	▲	◆	23.....	●	●
16.....	▲	◆	23½.....	●	●
16½.....	▲	◆	24.....	●	●
17.....	▲	◆	24½.....	●	●

## Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

NEMERIAN GIBSON, American barque, Capt. D. Bradford—Meyer & Co.

JOHANN FRIEDRICH, German brig, Capt. A. H. Kroncke—Wieler & Co.

GOLDEN FLEET, British barque, Capt. James Wiltshire—Gilman & Co.

ONEIDA, British ship, Captain S. Clyma—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

FLEURS CANTIE, British steamer, Capt. Jno. Kilder—Adamson Bell & Co.

JAN PETER, German barque, Capt. Kih. Ewert—Meyer & Co.

URANDS, Norwegian barque, Captain L. Berg—Arnhold Karberg & Co.

CHOICE, British barque, Captain John Harrison—Douglas Laprak & Co.

ALICE, German steamer, Capt. Burje—Order.

## Notices to Consignees.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

## S. S. ANADYR.

## NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. *Anadyr*, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before To-day, the 21st instant, at 1 p.m., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after To-day, the 28th instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.

Hongkong, March 21, 1879. mr28

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.

Ex "Ava."

H. J. H. (in store) No. 107, Aldridge  
Salmon & Co., 1 case Hosiery, from  
London.

Ex "Ansonia."

M. F. (in diamond) S. W. P. (underneath)  
No. 4045, Order, 1 case Cotton, from  
London.

H. H. No. 14, Order, 1 case Hosiery,  
from London.

Hongkong, March 18, 1879.

## Notices to Consignees.

FROM LONDON, PENANG AND  
SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship *Scotland*, Captain Atkinson, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding her discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded to Yokohama, unless Notice to the contrary be given before noon to-morrow.

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, March 19, 1879. mr26

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S. S.  
COMPANY.

## NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship *Gaelic*, from San Francisco, &c., are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature here, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding discharge of the Steamer will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

G. B. EMORY,  
Agent.

Hongkong, March 19, 1879. ma26

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE GERMAN BARK JAN PETER,  
FROM ROTTERDAM.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

MEYER & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, March 19, 1879. ma26

## To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAI.  
The Steamship  
"NINGPO,"  
R. Cass, Master, will be de-  
spatched for the above Port TO-  
MORROW, the 26th inst., at 10 a.m.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
SIEMSEN & Co.  
HONGKONG, March 25, 1879. mr26

FOR SHANGHAI (DIRECT)  
(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through  
rates for CHEFOO, TIENSIN  
and NEWCHANG.)  
The Steamship  
"GLENFALLOCH,"  
Capt. TAYLOR, will leave for  
the above Port on SATUR-  
DAY, the 29th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.  
HONGKONG, March 25, 1879. mr29

TO LET.  
HOUSE No. 4, PEDDAR'S HILL.  
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.  
HONGKONG, March 25, 1879.

WANTED, for H. M. S. *Charity*,  
A MUSICIAN (Violin Player).  
For terms, &c., Apply on Board.  
HONGKONG, March 25, 1879. ap1

TO LET.  
(WITH IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.)  
THE LOWER STOREY OF FAIRLEE,  
West Point, with separate Entrance.  
Gas and Water laid on; with Garden.  
Apply to  
SHARP, TOLLER & JOHNSON,  
Solicitors.  
HONGKONG, March 25, 1879. mr30

## NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

## PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

## STEAM FOR

## SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,

## POINT DE GALLE,

## ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT

## SAID, NAPLES, AND

## MARSEILLES;

## ALSO,

## PONDICHERY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA

## AND ALL INDIAN PORTS.

## ON SATURDAY, the 5th April, 1879,

## at Noon, the Company's S. S.

## AMAZON, Commandant LORMIER, with

## MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and

## CARGO, will leave this Port for the

## above places.

## Cargo and Specie will be registered for

## London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-

## cepted in transit through Marseilles for

## the principal places of Europe.

## Shipping Orders will be granted until

## Noon.

## Cargo will be received on board until

## 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m.

## on the 4th April, 1879. (Parcels are not

## to be sent on board; they must be left

## at the Agency's Office.)

## Contents and value of Packages are re-

## quired.

## For further particulars, apply at the

## Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.

Hongkong, March 25, 1879. ap5

## NOTICE.

THE CREDITORS of GEPP & Co. are

requested to send in all CLAIMS to

the Undersigned, on or before SATUR-

DAY, 5th April, 1879.

per GEPP & Co.

FRANK HYDE,

Canton, March 25, 1879. ap9

## To-day's Advertisements.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received in-  
structions to sell by Public Auction,  
ON  
SATURDAY,

the 29th March, 1879, at 2 p.m.,—

At FAIRLEE, LOWER FLOOR,  
the whole of the SUBSTANTIAL  
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, com-

prising:—  
English-made Blue Rep-covered Ma-  
hogany Drawing-room Suite, Richly-  
carved Blackwood Centre Table, Pier  
Glasses, Engravings, Persian Carpet, Lace  
Curtains and Cornices, &c., &c.

English-made Extension Dining Table,  
Side Board, Chairs, Crochery, Glass and  
Plated-Ware, American Bed with Mat-  
tresses, Iron Bedstead, Wardrobes,  
Marble-top Toilet Table and Mirror,  
Marble-top Mahogany Chest of Drawers  
and Mirror, Marble-top Washstands,  
Couch, Chair, Cloth Horses, Bath-tubs,  
&c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued, and the  
whole to be on view the day before the  
Sale.

TERMS.—Cash before delivery in Bank  
Notes.

F. RAPP,  
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, March 25, 1879. mr29

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

March 25, *Bokhara*, British steamer, 1775,  
Julius Orman, Shanghai March 22, Mails  
and General.—F. & O. S. N. Co.

March 25, *Ningpo*, British steamer, from  
Canton.

March 25, *Bellona*, German steamer, 789,  
Ahrens, Bangkok March 15, Rice.—SIE-  
MAN & Co.

March 25, *H.M.S. Vigilant*, from Can-  
ton.

March 25, *Wolf*, German gunboat, from  
Canton.

March 25, *Yotung*, British steamer, 266,  
S. W. Goggin, Swatow March 24, General.  
—KWOK ACHONG.

March 25, *Argyll*, British steamer, 1271,  
Scott, Saigon March 20, Rice.—JARDINE,  
MATHESON & Co.

## DEPARTURES.

March 25, *Khiva*, for Shanghai.

25, *Malacca*, for Yokohama.

25, *Coloma*, for Portland (Oregon).

25, *Marco Polo*, for Tientsin.

25, *Fleura Castle*, for Saigon.

25, *London Castle*, for Saigon.

25, *Fenelo*, for Saigon.

25, *Reagan*, for Kobe.

## CLEARED.

*Atalanta*, for Hoihow.

*Ningpo*, for Shanghai.

*Deception*, for Shanghai.

*Rajanathanmuhar*, for Bangkok.

## PASSENGERS.

## ARRIVED.

Per *Bokhara*, from Shanghai, Hon. W.  
Kewick, Mr and Mrs B. Clark and 3  
children, and 13 Chinese.

Per *Bellona*, from Bangkok, 15 Chinese.

Per *Yotung*, from Swatow, 110 Chinese  
deck.

Per *Argyll*, from Saigon, 108 Chinese.

## DEPARTED.

Per *Khiva*, for Shanghai: from Hong-

kong, Mr Benjamin, and 65 Chinese; from

Brindley, Mr. Max. J. Powell; from South-

ampton, Mr. Grassmann.

Per *Malacca*, for Yokohama: from South-

ampton, Messrs G. Palmer, and W. Thom-

son; from Hongkong, 8 Chinese.

## TO DEPART.

Per *Rajanathanmuhar*, for Bangkok, 388  
Chinese.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The German steamer *Bellona* reports:

Left Bangkok on the 15th March at 8 a.m.

Experienced light southerly winds to Palo

Obi, thence to port strong N.E. monsoon

with high sea and cloudy weather. In

Bangkok: S. S. *Danube*.

The British steamer *Yotung* reports:

First part fresh monsoon, latter part light

air and fine.

The British steamer *Argyll* reports:

Strong and fresh monsoon to lat. 18 N.,

then had a gale at E.N.E. with high sea.

Had passengers' galley, water closet and

water casks, washed off the deck.

## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For SHANGHAI.—

Per *Ningpo*, at 9.30 a.m., To-morrow, the

26th inst.

For SHANGHAI and YOKOHAMA.—

Per *Deception*, at 3.30 p.m., on Wednes-

day, the 28th inst.

For SWATOW, AMOY, & TOCHOW.—

Per *Yotung*, at 5 p.m., on Wednesday,

the 28th inst.

For SAIGON.—

Per *Finlayshire*, at 3.30 p.m., on Thurs-

day, the 27th inst.

For STRAITS, SUZ, COLOMBO, AND

LONDON.—

Per *P. van*, at 10.30 a.m., on Friday, the

28th inst.

For SHANGHAI.—

Per *Glenfalloch*, at 5 p.m., on Friday, the

28th inst.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.—

The British Packet *Bokhara*, will be

despatched on SATURDAY,

the 29th inst., with Mails to and

through the United Kingdom and

Europe: to Brindley or Southampton;

to the Straits Settlements, Batavia,

Burma, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt,

Malta, and Gibraltar.

N.B.—This Packet carries no mails for the

Australian Colonies, E. or S. Africa,

nor for Mauritius.

## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

## MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—

The French Packet *Amazone* will be  
despatched on SATURDAY, the  
5th April, with Mails to and  
through the United Kingdom and  
Europe, via Naples; to Saigon, Straits  
Settlements, Batavia, Burma, Ceylon,  
Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, Bom-  
bay, Aden, Suez, and Alexandria.

## MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet *Alaska*,  
will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 16th  
April, with Mails for Japan, San  
Francisco, and the United States,  
which will be closed as follows:—

2.15 p.m. Registry of Letters ceases.

2.30 p.m. Post-Office closes, but Letters  
(except for Non-Union Countries) may  
be posted on board the Packet with  
Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage  
until the time of departure.

Correspondence for Non-Union West India  
(except the Bahamas and Hayti),  
Monte Video, Paraguay, and Uruguay



liberally furnished with these, and similar tools to kill time in a wise or at all events innocent way. We wish the institution every success.

THE post cards which are to be introduced into India as soon as the supply can be obtained from Home, are, according to the *Times of India*, similar in size to the English post cards, namely, inland cards 4½ inches by about 2½ inches, and the international cards 4½ inches by about 3½ inches. The cost of arms which appears on the English post card has been adopted for the Indian card. The supply of inland cards for India will be limited for the present to 20,000,000.

GENERAL Grant continues steadily on his way towards Hongkong. He, accompanied by Mrs. Grant, and four fellow travellers, arrived at Allahabad on Friday morning the 21st February, and were the guests of the Lieut. Governor, Sir George Couper. He left Calcutta on the 24th February, and was expected at Singapore by the mail from Galle about the 20th inst. With reference to his visit to Bangkok, Col. Siskels, U. S. Consul there, (not an A.D.C. of the General's as before stated,) was at last advised, in Singapore, making arrangements for the General's party availing themselves of an invitation from the King of Siam to visit his territory.

A MARINE Court of Inquiry sat to-day, from noon to 6.30, touching the loss of the *Tesoro*, Captain Ashton, Mr. Sheppard, the passenger, and the Chief Officer (Mr. Hunter), were examined. The Court adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow, when several other witnesses will be examined. Hon. C. May, President of the Court, asked the reporters present to understand that the evidence which had been taken to-day should not be published until the whole investigation was finally completed. There were grave reasons why this portion of the evidence should not appear in the next issue of the local press. The President took occasion to remind the reporters that they were present only by permission of the Court, and added that the Court would be very sorry if they found the report published before their next sitting. Although we take decided exception to this novel view of the position of the Press in a public Court, we, in obedience to what is under the circumstances quite a reasonable request, hold over the report until to-morrow.

THERE was rather a sparse attendance at the Temperance Hall last evening, mostly civilians, although the advertised programme was a very inviting one. Unfortunately, several of those who had promised to take part in the entertainment failed to put in an appearance; and had it not been that a volunteer was found in the person of Mr. Marks—who gave a very short but none the less effective recitation entitled "The Pointman"—and that those who did put in an appearance undertook more than they had originally promised, the programme must have been considerably out down. As it was, the evening was a fairly good one, and the programme, although short, was exceedingly entertaining. A pianoforte solo by that old friend of the institution, Mr. Lummer, came first in order, followed by a song ("The Scout") which Mr. Arthur sang with his usual good taste and effectiveness, being recalled. Professor Illoio was again to the fore and, gorgeously attired as a swail of the first water, sang of the troubles and bashfulness of a young man. His second attempt, "Walking in the Zoo," was hardly so successful as his first, but this was more the fault of the song than of the singer. "The Skipper and his Boy" followed the recitation by Mr. Marks which we have already noticed, and was well sung. A treat was, however, still to follow, and one the audience little expected. A comic song was on the programme entitled "The Fat my Father Wore," and, attired as a true son of Erin from the soles of his "fate" to the crown of the hat his father wore, the vocalist made his appearance before the audience, stick and altogether. The performer, who is one of our naval defenders (Mr. Mounter of H. M. S. *Charybdis*) proved to be an entertainment within himself. The house was in quite an uproar, and would not let him away; time after time he reappeared, on each return bringing with him something fresh, and more Irish than before. The paternal hat having served its turn, he sang next of "the fat my father wore," a letter from his old grandmother, a love letter followed, then an account of Noah going into the ark, in fact a long and varied catalogue of good things. Mr. Crawford, who occupied the chair on this occasion, also gave a humorous reading from "Kilbow Boon," which was very well received. The meeting separated before 10 o'clock. The receipts at the door were \$10.20.

RETURN of Visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending March 23rd, 1879—

	European.	Chinese.
Monday, March 17th,	60	388
Tuesday,	181	87
Wednesday,	191	66
Thursday,	204	70
Friday,	214	78
Saturday,	224	60
Sunday,	234	49
Totals,	442	2,573
Grand total, 3,014.		

A BOTAL Envoys against the Papacy is on the eve of publication. It will proceed from a most appropriate source, for its author is no other than King Oscar of

Sweden, the successor of that knightly champion and martyr of Protestantism, Gustavus Adolphus. The King has not issued his Envoys, however, in his official character as a Protestant sovereign, but in his voluntary character as a lover of the Envoys. When the Pontifical Envoys against the Freemasons were first promulgated, it naturally became a subject of consultation in many homes, and nowhere with more interest than in Sweden, whose King is one of the living Masons. His Majesty frequently took up the "hammer" against the Papal apostle, and thundered at it with all the energy of his mythical ancestor, the god Thor. A number of his addresses to his lodge-brethren on this topic are now being printed, and will compose the volume which the successor of Gustavus Adolphus is about to issue.—*Home paper.*

We hear that the well-known sailing vessel *Thermopylae* has arrived in London, having made the passage from this port, which she left on the 26th Nov. last, in about 110 days.

We are informed that telegraphic news has been received to the effect that the runaway ship *Alton Castle*, Captain Angel is now loading in Adelaide for London. It will be remembered that about three months ago she left Shanghai without the usual Customs clearance papers, and the clever way in which she effected her clandestine departure was much talked of.—*N. O. D. News.*

BOOKED FOR HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI:—Per *Pitho*, Feb. 23.—Mr and Mrs Kleinwachter, Mr and Mrs M. J. D. Stephens, Mr Silverlock, jun., for Hongkong. Miss Vogler, Mr and Mrs A. Meyer, Mr and Mrs C. E. Thomson, Mr R. Teige, Mr and Mrs Rodewald, Mr Gustave Peters, Mr W. F. Sharp, for Shanghai.

*Sindh*, March 9.—Mr Dubois, Mr A. Hickling, Mr W. J. Robinson, for Hongkong. Mr P. Evans, Mr R. Kuki, Mr W. Turner, Mr F. S. Deacon, Mr W. G. Gordon, Mr Brand, Mr R. H. Perovai, Mr Noel Smith, for Shanghai.

*Iravaddy*, March 23.—Mr Chas Kahn, Mr G. Slade, Mr Young, Mr Munro, for Hongkong. Dr Breitschneider, for Shanghai.

*Indus*, Feb. 20.—Mr R. C. Johnston, Mr H. Bearly, for Shanghai.

*Poonah*, March 6.—Mr T. B. Elliott, Mr Oliver, for Hongkong.

*Ceylon*, March 20 (from Brindisi).—Mr R. James, for Hongkong. Rev. A. Faay, Rev. J. Milner, Mr A. R. Dent, to Shanghai.

*Decan*, April 3.—Mr and Mrs Pirkis, and two children, for Shanghai.

#### SUPREME COURT.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.  
(Before the Hon. Justice SNOWDEN.)  
25th March, 1879.

There were very few cases of interest on to-day's list, although the Court was for some time engaged on Chinese suits.

*Koss v. Gutierrez*, \$20.—This was a claim for debts supplied to the defendant, and the debt having been proved, judgment was entered for the plaintiff for the amount claimed, with costs. Defendant did not appear.

#### Police Intelligence.

March 24, 1879.

BOTH Magistrates sat on the Bench at the Police Court to-day. The business was not very voluminous for a Monday morning, and there were only two cases of drunkenness. These were Robert King and Bernard Flood, both seamen unemployed, and they were respectively fined 60 cents and \$1, the latter being fined the most as he was somewhat disorderly, and had endeavored to upset a money-changer's stall.

Yung Akens, a servant, and recently employed as a mess-room steward on board the *S. S. Nevada*, was charged by Mr. Thomas Kandarine, the chief officer, with stealing a blanket, a table cloth, 2 towels and sundry oilman's stores, the property of the owners of the steamer. The articles in question were found tied up in a bundle which the defendant was in the act of smuggling out of the ship. He had been discharged from the vessel and was leaving her when he was stopped at the gangway and searched by the chief officer. The blanket and the stores were his own property, and that the table cloth, which was the property of the ship, was never in his bundle. It was only through a personal spite, he said, on the part of the chief officer (complainant) that the charge was preferred. Mr. Creagh considered the case proved, and sentenced the defendant to four months' imprisonment, the first and last 14 days to be in solitary confinement, and the rest with hard labour.

There were two cases of larceny from the person, the delinquents in each being committed for trial. The remained case, in which one Chan Achewng was charged with being an escaped convict, came on for hearing again to-day, and was further remanded for the attendance of a coloured man named Green, who is at present employed at the Gas Works, and who, it is said, can identify the accused man.

A man named Kwan Akiu, who described himself as an actor, was charged with picking the pocket of a milkman named Wong Keng Yui, at Wanchai, and stealing some broken silver and a silk handkerchief. He acted injured innocence to perfection in Court, but it would not do; Mr. May has been too long on the Bench, and gave him the benefit of the suspicion by sending him to six months' hard labour and ordering him to be exposed in the stocks for six hours at the scene of his offence, where he will have an opportunity of practicing his art for the benefit of a select audience.

Another worthy, by name Wong Aping, and following according to his version of the story, the noble profession of a coolie, was provided with six weeks' free board and lodging at the expense of the ratcatchers, for appropriating another man's clothes to his own use. He protested that he had only borrowed the articles in question as security for the payment of a debt of 800 cash, but this excuse was proved to be false. Two or three others were supplied with tickets for 14 or 21 days' board, lodging being included, for minor offences in the shape of petty larceny, and being found in possession of articles which they had unfortunately found by the wayside and could find no owner for.

The treasury was enriched to the extent of a dollar or two contributed by persons who will not keep their dwellings as clean

as pig-styes, and a few wretched hawkers also contributed a little in their way.

The worst case on the list to-day was the remanded case in which Li Ashap and eight others were charged by Inspector Cameron with being found in possession of counterfeit coin. The case had been remanded in order that the Inspector should have an opportunity of trying to find out if these men were a gang of coiners. He said, to-day, that he had failed to get any evidence against the last eight defendants, that he had inspected the obverse etc. which were found in the house where defendants were arrested, with a powerful glass, but no trace of silver was found on them. He therefore simply charged the first prisoner with being found in possession of over five counterfeit dollars. The defendant said that he was a collector of counterfeit money, which he bought in order to extract the silver from, and that he also sold dollar punches. He was however unable to point out any person from whom he had purchased any dollars. He was, it appears, convicted of uttering counterfeit money on January 1877, and sentenced to 2 years' hard labour. Mr. May fined him \$10 for each counterfeit coin found in his possession, in default of payment to suffer 3 months' hard labour. The others were each ordered to find security in one household \$5 to be of good behaviour for one month. In the house of the first defendant was found one of those ugly-looking three-pronged weapons which figured so prominently in the Winglok Street raid, and he accounted for its possession by saying that he bought it. We believe he did, and probably he could use it to advantage.

#### March 25, 1879.

The cases at the Police Court to-day were principally summonses for nuisances of every description, men summoned for obstruction, for having filthy dwellings, keeping pigs, hawking without a license, packing goods in the street, and so forth; and the Colonial Treasury was enriched thereby. The criminal statistics were mild.

#### CORRESPONDENCE.

THE CO-HONG MERCHANTS OF CANTON.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Canton, 19th March, 1879.

SIR,—As I happen to be the only foreign merchant now in China who was present in Canton before the functions and privileges of the members of the Co-Hong of "Security" Merchants ceased (in 1843), I cannot consistently evade the appeal pointedly made in the following notice (in your issue of the 17th instant) of a recent article in the *Sin Pao* of Shanghai, which you justly characterize as "wholesome" since it is a double-edged sword, and is wielded by a Chinese against frauds in the manipulation of Tea and Silk, who generally disdained using the back stroke against "China-clay" in another form. But, in regard to the excess of generosity evinced in his attributing the "real origin of the first war to the greed of the Chinese Hong Merchants and the illegal exactions of the Custom House," I am bound to declare, as a living witness of the careers of those Merchants for ten years (1833 to 1843) that I cannot respond in the sense you expect; since the essential ingredient of truth is wanting in this dictum and consequently, instead of satisfaction, I cannot but express regret at the injustice to the Chinese. That I write thus with full warrant by the opinions of Mr. Laneolot Dent and other leading British Merchants, whose letters I have, of the period, may be shown in case of need; but I will now merely refer to the annexed extracts of my circular of the dates of March 22nd, July 5th, August 6th, and September 21st, 1843, as conveying the general sense entertained toward those Hong Merchants and embodying facts as to their position recognized, not only by the principal foreign merchants but by H. M. Plenipotentiary Sir Henry Pottinger as entitling them to sympathy and moral aid, as against the unjust exactions of their own Authorities connected with the ransom of Canton and similar acts of oppression.—Instances brought distinctly to foreign cognizance, at that juncture of the termination of the Co-Hong system and the inauguration of complete free-trade in China, by reason of their consequent disability to co-operate in the new system; but illustrative also of the precarious position in which the "greed" or exigencies of their Rulers held them previously. And as to the fact of "the real origin of the first war" (setting aside what I have elsewhere said on that point), perhaps the authority of the conservative party (that succeeded in defeating the Government), as embodied in Sir James Graham's motion may be taken as the accepted opinion of the time in England, as follows: "That it appears to the house, upon the consideration of the papers relating to China, presented to this house by command of Her Majesty, that the interruption in our commercial and friendly intercourse with China, and the hostilities which have since taken place, are mainly to be attributed to want of foresight and preparation on the part of Her Majesty's present advisers with reference to our relations with China, and more especially their neglect in not furnishing the British Superintendent at Canton with powers and instructions to provide against the growing evils arising from the contraband traffic in Opium, and adapted to the novel and difficult situation in which the Superintendent was placed."

Annexing the extracts of my said circular of 1843 as originally printed, and referring to the monthly issues of the *Far East* in which I have already drawn the characters of the Hong Merchants dispassionately, I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

GIDEON NYE.

Canton, March 22nd, 1843.

The Hong Merchants have addressed a Circular to their Foreign friends, exhibiting their receipts and expenditures for account of Cohong Fund, and their present position, with reference to the Hong Debts, the exactions of the Government, and the proposed changes in the regulations of the Foreign Trade. It was designed as an appeal to the sympathy of their Foreign friends for aid in their present difficult circumstances. But to what extent any acceptable aid can be afforded them does not appear. I am, however, of opinion that those best acquainted with the Trade here will prefer to continue their dealings with the more respectable of the Hong Merchants; after their money shall have ceased; and do not, therefore, consider the proposed changes as involving a misfortune to the better business men among them.

Canton, July 5th, 1843.

Referring to the last circular issued by our Sir Nye, dated June 9th—1843, we now beg to inform you of the formal exchange of the ratified Treaty of Peace between Great Britain and China on the 26th ultimo at Hongkong, the two governments being represented, respectively, by H. E. Sir Henry Pottinger, Bart., C.B., and H. E. Sir James Macartney, K.C.B., plenipotentiaries of the Imperial Commissioner. The Island of Hongkong has since been proclaimed a separate British Colony, to be governed by a Governor and Legislative Council. H. E. Sir Henry Pottinger has assumed charge of the Government of the Colony; and has been pleased to direct that the present city shall henceforth be distinguished and known by Her Majesty's name—Victoria.

In reference to the proposed new arrangements of Trade, including the Tariff, it is expected that much will be known at an early day, and we therefore refrain from any extended remarks. It is understood that some points require reference to Peking, and that the departure of Lieut.-Col. Malcolm per steamer for Bombay will be delayed, in consequence, until August. We may add that it is thought the maximum duty on Imports will be ten per cent., and on the export of Tea four taels per picul.

The Hong Merchants have been called upon by the authorities to clear off the remaining balances of the debts of the bankrupt hong, amounting altogether to nearly two millions of dollars, within the present month; and have already consented to contribute towards them in the following sums:—Hawqua \$1,000,000; Footee \$90,000; Mowqua \$60,000; Pwankequa \$130,000; Kingqua \$70,000; Samqua and Gouqua \$100,000 each; Pungyqua \$70,000; Mingqua \$20,000; Saqua about \$20,000. The deficiency, it is supposed, will be made up in part by the continued exaction of the consou charges during the month.

It is understood that the co-hong system will cease at the end of the month, and that all mercantile transactions with the present hong will be as with individual merchants. There seems to be, however, an impression in some quarters, that several of the hong will be employed by government as Inspectors or Collectors of duties, in some new form, their knowledge being requisite to facilitate the operation of the new system at its commencement.—The advantageous position of the better business men among them is likely to be fully counterbalanced by any loss of privileges incurred in the change, as was intimated in March; and should the government employment alluded to not involve a relinquishment of business, their pecuniary interests will probably be materially promoted.

In reference to the prospects of the retention of the major part of the foreign trade at this port, we have to confirm former advice; and to add that we hear some attempts to divert the Tea trade toward the new ports on the East Coast have been discouraged by the excessive charges that were demanded by the Mandarins at the several stations on the route.

Canton, August 6th, 1843.

We refer to our circular of 5th ultimo, with its postscript, and to the copies of the new Regulations of Trade and the Tariff forwarded by us per *Akbar* to Suze, in now continuing our advice; and forward with this, copies of the respective proclamations of H. E. Sir Henry Pottinger and of H. E. Keying—the former with a government Notification annexed, issued on the occasion of the promulgation of the provisions of the Commercial Treaty,—to which we shall refer hereafter as of the highest importance to the legal trade. We annex also a copy of a more recent proclamation of H. M. Plenipotentiary of considerable interest to the Opium trade.

The H. C. steamer *Akbar* left Hongkong on the 1st inst. for Suze direct, conveying Lieut.-col. Malcolm, the secretary of legation and bearer of the ratified treaty of peace and of the commercial treaty.

In referring to the above-named paper, we have the satisfaction to inform you that our previous impressions are confirmed in respect to the application of the new regulations to the commerce of all nations,—it being clearly declared in the above-named proclamation of H. E. Keying that the merchants and vessels of any nation, equally with those of England, shall participate in the privileges and advantages, under the new arrangements, that have been stipulated for on the part of England. And the vice-consul of the United States has received a communication direct from the Imperial Commissioner and his colleagues of the same import.—Already, indeed, in so far as relates to entry and importation, several American vessels are participating in the business that has been commenced under the new system; and their cargoes, in common with those of about a dozen British vessels, are being landed at the foreign factories and passed under the new tariff with great facility, considering the radical change that the system is undergoing.

In regard to the general provisions of the commercial treaty, we consider them highly favorable to the foreign trade, and were the important article of Opium admitted under the tariff, we should consider the trade and foreign relations established on a footing so beneficial to China and to other nations as to insure the permanency of the friendly arrangement.

The old debts of the bankrupt hong were paid prior to the 1st of the Chinese moon (27th ultimo), when the Co-hong system terminated, so far as relates to the foreign trade; but as the government has not yet released them from their liabilities connected with the ransom of Canton, paid to Capt. Elliot in 1841, the Hong-merchants are disposed to avoid transactions, by which they may become compromised anew, until some declaration in their favor is made by the authorities. Unless released from the liabilities alluded to, which amount to about five millions of dollars, their embarrassments will prevent their transacting business, and will injuriously affect the trade in a material degree.—In view of this, we trust H. M. Plenipotentiary will deem it proper to move the Imperial officers in favor of the hong-merchants.

Canton, September 21st, 1843.

Since the date of our last circular advice (5th and 7th ultimo), the trade of this port has been subject to serious interruptions and impediments, chiefly arising from the embarrassed situation of the late "hong" merchants, before alluded to,—who have deemed it necessary to decline entering upon business under the new system down to the present time. Some other minor causes, being the difficulties incident to the radical changes that the system is undergoing, are being gradually overcome; and were the merchants above alluded to, released from their liabilities to government in reference to the ransom of Canton in 1841, and some other claims resting upon similar grounds, we are persuaded the trade would soon resume, (in a great measure) its former regularity and security. The interests of the trade have been injuriously affected

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begs to announce to the Community of Hongkong that he will be able to supply  
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Shop—WELLINGTON STREET, opposite the Cathedral.  
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**MARINE HOUSE, QUEEN'S ROAD.**  
East—GROUND FLOOR, consisting of  
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West—A RESIDENCE, with Business  
Accommodation, complete.  
Gas and Water laid on.  
Each of these Premises can be Let in  
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Apply to  
**E. R. BELLIOS,**  
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**GREEN MOUNT,**  
Possession on or before 15th May.  
Apply to  
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**PORTION of a HOUSE,** very suitable  
for OFFICES and DWELLING, also  
for a STORE, Queen's Road Central.  
Possession 1st March next.  
Apply to  
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**OFFICES on the FIRST FLOOR,**  
No. 8, QUEEN'S ROAD.  
Apply to  
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## TO LET.

**IN the Houses on MARINE LOT 65,**  
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**FIRST FLOORS of Nos. 2 and 4,**  
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## As also,

**A FRONT and BACK ROOM in the**  
DWELLING to the eastward of the Pier,  
with part of its spacious Verandah. Imme-  
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**FIRST CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS,**  
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**A SPACIOUS TIMBER YARD,** close  
to the Wanabai Pier. Timber received on  
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For further particulars, apply to  
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Hongkong, March 4, 1879.

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**On Shamshu—Canton.**  
Apply to  
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downs, TEA and SILEX ROOMS attached.  
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**TWO Excellent STONE-FLOORED**  
GODOWNS, on Marine Lot No. 10,  
Praya Central.  
Apply to  
**TURNER & Co.**  
Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

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**FIRST-CLASS OFFICES and GO-**  
DOWNS, Nos. 54 and 60,  
Praya Central.  
Apply to  
**WO HANG,**  
Nos. 5 and 7, Praya West.  
Hongkong, January 2, 1879.

## Rails.



**STEAM FOR**  
SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE  
GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA,  
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ALSO  
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**THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM**  
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steam-ship  
**BOHARA**, Captain I. ORMAN, will leave  
this on SATURDAY, the 29th March, at Noon.

Tea and General Cargo for London will  
be conveyed via Bombay without tranship-  
ment, arriving one week later than by the  
direct route. Silk and Valuables will be  
transferred to the Calcutta steamer at  
Galle.

For further Particulars, apply to  
**A. MOLLER, Superintendent.**  
Hongkong, March 18, 1879. ma29

## Occidental &amp; Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

**TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND**  
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**STATES AND EUROPE,**  
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**CENTRAL**  
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**UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING**  
**RAILROAD COMPANIES**  
**AND**  
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**THE S. S. GAELIC** will be despatched  
for San Francisco via Yokohama,  
on TUESDAY, the 1st day of April, 1879,  
at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for  
Japan, the United States, Mexico, Central  
and South America, and Europe.  
Connection is made at Yokohama, with  
Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until  
4 p.m. of the 31st March. PARCEL  
PACKAGES will be received at the Office  
until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages  
should be marked to address in full; value  
of same is required.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PAS-  
SAGE TICKETS.  
Consular Invoices to accompany Over-  
land, Mexican, Central and South American  
Cargo, should be sent to the Company's  
Offices addressed to the Collector of Cus-  
toms, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight  
or Passage, apply to the Agency of the  
Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.  
**G. B. EMORY, Agent.**  
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## U. S. MAIL LINE.

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Freight, for Japan, the United States,  
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Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-  
portation to Yokohama and other Japan  
Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and  
Inland Cities of the United States via Over-  
land Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and  
Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central  
and South America by the Company's and  
connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to all  
Europe, France, and Germany by all  
trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.  
On Through PASSAGES to EUROPE,  
a REDUCTION OF TWENTY PER-  
CENT from Regular Rates is granted to  
OFFICERS of the ARMY and NAVY,  
and MEMBERS of the CIVIL and  
CONSULAR SERVICES in COMMISS-  
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Freight will be received on board until  
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**RUSSELL & Co., Agents.**  
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## INSURANCES.

## CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

## NOTICE.

**POLICIES** granted at current rates on  
Marine Risks to all parts of the World  
in accordance with the Company's Articles  
of Association. Two-thirds of the Profit,  
after distribution annually to Contributors  
whether Shareholders or not, in proportion  
to the net amount of Premiums contributed  
by each, the remaining third being carried  
to Reserve Fund.

**J. BRADLEE SMITH,**  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, December 8, 1878.

## ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

**THE** Undersigned, Agents for the above  
Company, are prepared to grant In-  
surance at current rates.

**MELOERS & Co.,**  
Agents, Royal Insurance Company,  
Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

## Insurances.

## QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

**THE** Undersigned are prepared to grant  
Policies against Fire to the extent of  
£45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored  
therein, at current local rates, subject to a  
Discount of 20% on the Premium.

**NORTON & Co.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

## LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

**(FIRE AND LIFE.)**  
**CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.**

**THE** Undersigned are prepared to grant  
Policies against the Risk of FIRE on  
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on  
Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of  
Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms  
and Conditions.  
Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-  
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors  
for their decision.  
If required, protection will be granted on  
first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single  
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-  
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**ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.,**  
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Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

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**HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.**

**AGENCIES** at all the Treaty Ports of  
China and Japan, and at Singapore,  
Siam, and Penang.  
Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance  
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the above mentioned Ports.

**NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.**  
**JAS. B. COUGHTREY,**  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

## THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

**INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER**  
of  
**His Majesty King George The First,**  
A. D. 1720.

**THE** Undersigned having been appointed  
Agents for the above Corporation are  
prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—  
**Marine Department.**  
Policies at current rates payable either  
here, in London or at the principal Ports  
of India, China and Australia.

**Fire Department.**  
Policies issued for long or short periods at  
current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

**Life Department.**  
Policies issued for sums not exceeding  
£5,000 at reduced rates.

**HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.**  
Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

## MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

**ESTABLISHED 1824.**

Capital of the Company £1,000,000 Sterling  
of which is paid up £100,000  
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Insurances at current rates.

**HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.**  
Hongkong, October 15, 1868.

## SWISS LLOYD TRANSPORT INSURANCE COMPANY OF WINTERHUR.

**THE** Undersigned having been appointed  
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this Day taken over charge of the Hong-  
kong Agency, and are prepared to grant  
INSURANCE on MARINE RISKS at Current  
Rates to all parts of the World.

**MEYER & Co.**  
Hongkong, February 10, 1879.

## THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

**THE** Undersigned having been appointed  
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Attention is invited to a considerable  
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China.

**MEYER & Co.**  
Hongkong, August 18, 1878.

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**Incorporated by Royal Charter and**  
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**ESTABLISHED 1809.**  
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**GILMAN & Co.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, July 5, 1878.

## Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *h*, near the Kowloon shore *k*, and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked *c*, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

**Section.**  
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.  
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.  
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.  
4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.  
**Section.**  
5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.  
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.  
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.  
8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor No.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Aegean	5	Stewart	Brit. str.	848	Mar. 19	Linthead & Co.	Takow & Yokohama	To-day
Alice	7	Bunje	Ger. str.	.....	Mar. 1	.....	South Sea Island	put back
Atalanta	3	Petersen	Ger. str.	782	Mar. 21	Meyer & Co.	Hoihow & Halphong	at daylight
Bellona	3	Ahrens	Ger. str.	789	Mar. 25	Siemens & Co.	.....	.....
Bokhara	5	Orman	Brit. str.	1775	Mar. 26	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Europe, &c.	Mails, 27th
Bombay	1	.....	Brit. str.	749	Feb. 12	Kwok Acheong	.....	.....
Cassandra	2	Langer	Ger. str.	937	Mar. 21	Siemens & Co.	.....	.....
Cheang Hock Kian	1	Webb	Brit. str.	956	Mar. 14	Bun Hin Chan	.....	.....
Deucalion	5	Brown	Brit. str.	1639	Mar. 24	Butterfield & Swire	Amoy	Sande' Ship
Douglas	5	Young	Brit. str.	864	Mar. 22	Douglas Laiprak & Co.	Shai & Yokohama	To-morrow
Fame	6	Stopani	Brit. str.	117	.....	H. K. & W'oa Dock Co.	Coast Ports	27th inst.
Flours Castle	2	Kidder	Brit. str.	1822	Mar. 17	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Saigon	Tug Plying
Flintshire	2	Thomas	Brit. str.	1236	Mar. 19	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Saigon	To-day
Gaelic	5	Kidley	Brit. str.	1712	Mar. 19	O. & O. S. S. Co.	Y'ham & San F'isco	1st prox.
Hailong	5	Goode	Brit. str.	277	Mar. 18	Douglas Laiprak & Co.	Tamout, &c.	K'loon Dock
Loudoun Castle	5	Marshall	Brit. str.	1675	Mar. 16	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Saigon	To-day
Ningpo	4	Cass	Brit. str.	761	Mar. 20	Siemens & Co.	Shanghai	To-morrow
Norna	3	Walker	Brit. str.	606	June 28	Kwok Acheong	.....	.....
Panay	5	Goye. achem	Span. str.	645	Mar. 20	Remedios & Co.	Amoy and Manila	.....
Penedo	5	Cain	Brit. str.	662	Mar. 20	Melchers & Co.	Saigon	To-day
Radnorshire	7	Thompson	Brit. str.	1272	Mar. 22	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	.....	To-day
Rajasthanubhar	2	Hopkins	Brit. str.	933	Mar. 16	Yuen Fat Hong	Bangkok	To-day
Sea Gull	8	Haydon	Amer. str.	48	Mar. 24	China Traders Insurance Co.	.....	.....
Zephyr	1	Heuer	Brit. str.	.....	.....	Russell & Co.	.....	.....
Sailing Vessels								
Abbie N. Franklin	8	Howes	Amer. bge.	460	Mar. 6	O. & O. S. S. Co.	.....	.....
B. F. Watson	8	Hawkins	Amer. bge.	.....	Mar. 8	Butterfield & Swire	.....	.....
Black Hawk	8	Boydland	Amer. ab.	1126	Jan. 13	Vogel & Co.	San Francisco	.....
Carrie Wyman	7	Randall	Amer. bge.	459	Mar. 18	Meyer & Co.	.....	.....
Catherine Marden	4	Marden	Brit. 3m.co.	287	Feb. 22	Captain	.....	.....
Charmar	4	Lucas	Amer. ab.	1333	Jan. 8	Russell & Co.	San Francisco	.....
Choice	7	Barriac	Brit. bge.	304	Mar. 20	Dougl. Laiprak & Co.	.....	.....
Cilurum	1	Beadle	Brit. ab.	1886	Mar. 9	Wiel & Co.	.....	Coast Ports
Cooran	8	Burgwaldt	Amer. sch.	188	July 18	W. H. Ray	Japan	.....
Elizabeth Childs	4	Lindbergh	Ger. bge.	891	Mar. 8	Wiel & Co.	.....	.....
Emil Julius	4	Jurgensen	Ger. bge.	501	Mar. 19	Melchers & Co.	.....	.....
Emilio V.	3	Merello	Ital. bge.	724	Mar. 28	D. Musso & Co.	.....	.....
Formosa	1	Burgwaldt	Ger. 3m.co.	282	Feb. 6	Vogel & Co.	Hamburg	K'loon Dock
Forward	2	Wildeford	Brit. bge.	744	Dec. 17	Rozario & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	.....
Golden Fleets	2	Walters	Brit. bge.	893	Mar. 10	Gilman & Co.	.....	Wanchai Pier
Golden Rule	4	Lewis	Amer. ab.	1195	Mar. 7	Vogel & Co.	New York	.....
Hazelhurst	5	Goodey	Brit. bge.	877	Jan. 18	Vogel & Co.	New York	.....
Highlander	4	Hutchinson	Amer. ab.	1352	June 19	Vogel & Co.	New York	.....
Jacobine	3	Bang	Ger. bge.	417	Mar. 18	Captain	.....	.....
Jan Peter	8	Ewert	Ger. bge.	836	Mar. 18	Meyer & Co.	.....	Wanchai Pier
Johann Friedrich	8	Kroncke	Ger. bge.	242	Mar. 8	Wiel & Co.	.....	.....
Louise	4	Simons	Brit. sch.	280	Mar. 16	Gilman & Co.	.....	Mod's Slip
Mangerton	4	Thompson	Brit. bge.	330	Mar. 19	Tack Me Hong	.....	.....
Marquis of Argyll	3	McKeon	Brit. bge.	500	Dec. 24	Rozario & Co.	Bangkok	.....
Mermaid	4	Bradford	Amer. bge.	741	Feb. 23	Meyer & Co.	.....	.....
Penobscot	4	Chipman	Amer. bge.	1133	Feb. 23	Butterfield & Swire	.....	.....
Onida	5	Clyma	Brit. ab.	2293	Mar. 15	Captain	.....	.....
Orange Grove	8	Longmuir	Brit. bge.	385	Mar. 21	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.	.....	.....
Quikstep	8	Barnaby	Amer. bge.	826	Mar. 13	Master	.....	.....
Republic	8	Holmes	Amer. ab.	1361	Mar. 9	Captain	.....	.....
Statu	7	Aschoehong	Norw. bge.	681	Mar. 16	Douglas Laiprak & Co.	.....	.....
Stallman P. Allen	4	Taylor	Amer. bge.	686	Jan. 20	Vogel & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	.....
Stewart Jackson	4	Barlett	Amer. bge.	1102	Dec. 30	Russell & Co.	Portland	.....
Strathmore	4	Miller	Brit. bge.	1169	Dec. 17	Vogel & Co.	London	.....
Sumaride	4	Helmworth	Brit. bge.	600	Dec. 21	Captain	.....	.....
Sumaride	4	Helmworth	Norw. sh.	943	Jan. 9	Vogel & Co.	London	.....
Sydenham	3	Olough	Amer. sh.	1080	Sept. 6	Russell & Co.	.....	.....
Tartar	4	Miller	Brit. sh.	1038	Jan. 6	Vogel & Co.	Manila	.....
Thos. A. Goddard	4	Kaemens	Ger. bge.	956	Mar. 24	Melchers & Co.	Tientsin	.....
Thomas Fletcher	3	Smith	Amer. bge.	682	Jan. 9	Russell & Co.	New York	.....
Thomas Fletcher	3	Pendleton	Amer. bge.	645	Feb. 23	Captain	.....	.....
Uranos	7	Berg	Norw. bge.	490	Mar. 20	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	.....	.....
WHAMPOA								
Friedrich	.....	Bertelsen	Ger. 3m.co.	295	Mar. 8	Wiel & Co.	.....	.....
Johann Schmidt	.....	Bösch	Ger. bge.	493	Mar. 10	Melchers & Co.	Tientsin	.....
Uota	.....	Dudfield	Brit. bge.	472	Mar. 17	Order	Chefoo & Newchwang	.....
CANTON								
China	.....	Ackermann	Ger. str.	648	Mar. 24	Siemens & Co.	Shanghai	.....